

The May 28, 2015, meeting opened at 4:10.

Present were Marj Wexler (Chair), Susan Bachelder, and Juliette Haas.

Minutes of the 4/21/15 meeting were approved.

Treasurer's Report No activity. Marj will send her receipt for pizza party food to the treasurer. We thank Maura for donating the pizzas.

Eg-Recycles 2015 review: We are grateful to the Fire Department for their generosity in lending us their tables in the past, and Juliette will write them a letter so stating. From now on, we will use Marj's, which worked nicely this year.

Stats: At least 90 volunteers, 105 bags of trash (not counting those taken care of by the volunteers who collected them), 838 lb (not counting pounds ditto).

The returnable bottles and cans were taken to Heidi Zorn, and her 4-H group redeemed them.

The Goodwill truck had a good day.

The five of us who spent 5 hours sorting trash found it exhausting. Next year, we will make a concerted effort to recruit some additional volunteers (see below about a young volunteer). Two shifts of 2-1/2 hours each would be much better.

The thank-you pizza party was again a huge success. We will continue to hold this. Thanks go to Juliette for making salads.

Green Community (GC) update: Warrant Articles 5 and 6 (Solar Bylaw proposal and Stretch Code) passed with overwhelming support at the May 5 Annual Town Meeting. Juliette is working on gathering baseline data of the Town's energy use for Criterion 3. The application will go to DOER in October.

Sustainability Coordinator: Juliette is working on a grant to buy a dumpster for bulky rigid plastic (BRP), but the money won't be available until October, so we will rent one from Valley for the summer.

People have been taking advantage of the Recycle Shed to avoid paying the fee required to throw things in the C&D dumpster. Juliette will create signage that will prohibit items from being left outside the shed. Other ideas were discussed, such as installing a camera. Marj will write a Town Newsletter piece titled "Swap Shop News" to highlight some guidelines.

Finn Chebatoris has chosen to provide help to the Green Committee and the Sustainability Coordinator as part of his high-school public service commitment. We are grateful and look forward to working with him.

*Meeting adjourned 4:45 pm. Next meeting **June 23, 4 pm.***

Submitted by Marj Wexler